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IN ALL FAIRNESS.

That the people of the State of Arizona, who place the prohibition issue above every other question before the people, should condemn the candidacy of Chief Justice Henry D. Ross for reelection to the supreme bench on the ground that he concurred with the court in the "personal use" case, seems obviously unfair and unjust. Moreover, very unfortunately, if the campaign against the Democartic candidate is continued it promises to react against the very amendment which all good-thinking people may support-the law which will really carry out the state's end of the Webb-

It would appear that certain of the prohibition leaders take the position that the supreme court should have declared, in the Sturgeon case, that the law was absolutely correct in every detail. They maintain that the highest tribunal in the state should have taken a position against precedant and law in the case and are now supporting Judge Otis J. Baughn for the supreme court because he is credited with the assertion that he would do all he could, if elected, to counteract the effect of the decision.

In all fairness to Judge Baughn it is inconceivable to believe that he made such a statement. He is too able a lawyer to take a position of that kind in the face of such precedant and law. From Samuel D. Weakley, former chief justice of the state of Alabama who writes: "I have been fighting for prohibition in Alabama since 1907, and have drafted all the prohibition laws enacted by the state from 1907 to the present time", there is a declaration that the Arizona supreme court's decision in the Sturgeon case, "should be entirely

satisfactory to all prohibitionists". Judge Weakley's letter, in part, follows:

"I have read the decision of the Supreme Court of Arizona in the Sturgeon case and it is evident from the opinion of the Court that had there been in Arizona a law against the receipt and possession of liquor as there is in Alabama, it would have been sustained by the Court. In that opinion the Supreme Court goes as far towards restraining and restricting liquor shipments for personal use as any Supreme Court in the country. The court expressly approved the Idaho decision in Ex parte Crane ,and the principle laid down in the Sturgeon case would support a statute or constitutional amendment so framed as to harmonize and fit in with the Webb-Kenyon law. After reading the opinion of the Supreme Court in the Sturgeon case, I am satisfied that the case was correctly decided upon the ground that the amendment did not fail within the terms of the Webb-Kenyon law, but I am further more of the opinion that the Court laid down principles that should be entirely satisfactory to prohibitionists and that should render it easy to meet the difficulty either by adopting the proposed amendment or by having a statute directed against receipt and possession of liquor, since such a statute would put into operation the Webb-Kenyon law. This principle has been precisely so decided by the Supreme Court of Alabama and by the Supreme Court of North Carolina and very recently by a majority. or four out of five judges of the South Carolina Supreme Curt. The opinion in the Sturgeon case was very carefully prepared and is well supported by the authorities which it cites, and I am satisfied that no just ground of complaint can be made against the court, or any member thereof, on account of that decision."

All right thinking prohibitionists should approve of the court's decision. From every authority obtainable its decision was based upon Law. Most certainly the people who desire actual prohibition do not wish an amendment which will not stand the test to the very highest tribunal in the United States. The remedy for a faulty law is apparent and the prohibitionists are now taking advantage of it. Should it be passed it will be a bulwark against liquor and will mean actual pro-

The hurtful part of the entire matter is that the prohibitionists' zeal in the matter, if it takes upon 1 of foreign peace.

itself a campaign against Judge Ross, may act as a boomerang against the very measure which will AT ITS BEST G. O. P. solve the entire question.

It is to be hoped that such a campaign will not be maintained. Most certainly Judge Baughn, who is a capable and honest man and lawyer, can cause people at war don't want judges; not countenance such work in his behalf and in they want partisans." He added: all fairness to the incumbent it should be stopped. "Perhaps you think it did not take

TRAFFIC OFFICER NEEDED.

Though the needs of a traffic officer for the brought their threats of death and streets and roads in the Warren District has often every coward of a politician prophesied political death. Whether Woodrow been commented upon in the columns of The Wilson lives to write his autobiography Review, the accidents of Sunday and the gradual or commits to other hands the docuincrease in motor traffic makes this need imperitive. It is high time that the various organiza- as well as patriotism and good sense." tions in the Warren Distrit, the Auto Club, the The secretary went on to say that Commercial Club, the Business Men's Association and the City Council, petition the Board of Supervisors for such an officer. As a result of the abuse tonal prejudice, to religious prejudice, of senisble traffic regulations two young men, to class prejudice or to race prejudice, he can overthrow the generosity and coming to a time of life when they could have the ideality of the people of this land." been of use to themselves and to the community, FRENCH SMASH are dead. B. F. Campbell, age 22, died Sunday afternoon, never regaining consciousness after he was throun from his speeding mortorcycle on FRENCH GAIN FOUR Naco Road, near Tin Town. Harry Henderson, age 18, is also dead as the result of an accident on Naco Road near the Calumet and Arizona hospital. Several people were more or less shaken up and bruised in road accidents on Sunday and as are giving no rest to the Russians and many machines were broken and damaged.

Certainly there must be a cure for this state of along the entire from the Black affairs!

The unfortunate part of the situation is the some points they are vigorously opfact that those who drive motor vehicles carefully posing the advance of the invaders. are menaced quite as much as those who are reckless. The man or women who drives an automobile, with thought for the other fellow and for the pedestrian, is at a distinct disadvantage and, voda and Constanza, have fallen into quite frequently, suffers more in road accidents the hands of the Teutonic allies. In than does the man who is driving fast and with the latter region cavalry is pursuing no thought for anything except speed.

Natural traffic conditions in the Warren Dis- ube more than 8,700 prisoners have trict are worse than in any community in the coun- been taken by Field Marshal von try. With the increase in the number of automobiles this state of affairs is gradually becoming worse. Witness conditions any night on Naco road between the city limits and Lowell or between Lowell and Warren or Lowell and Don Luis, for proof of the assertion. Due to the employment of a traffic officer in Bisbee the abuse of sensible driving regulations has been greatly reduced. Though there is still abuse of the city's traffic regulations (which will never be entirely overcome) accidents in the city limits and danger to pedestrians and to other drivers have been greatly reduced.

The board of supervisors can, by the adoption of rules, regulate the speed and traffic conditions on any road in the county. This should be done, and at once. The same board should be petitioned to authorize the sheriff to put on his force a competent motorcycle officer to police the roads in the District and, at times, the road between Douglas

Residents of the District and of the county are, justly wrathy over the violation of sensible traffic laws. Some change is imperitive. An officer, who will enforce the regulations, regardless, is needed and his presence will do wonders to decrease the appaling toll of death and injury which is now the portion of this section.

GOOD WORK.

The work of the city police department, in coperation with the deputy United States Marshal in cleaning up "hop joints" is most commendable. There is still room for improvement and, undoubtedly, the city, county and federal officers will work to the end that Bisbee may not be, justly, called a rendezvous for that derelict of humanity -a drug user.

With the passage of the Harrison act and with the enforcement of its provisions by the government there was a sudden influx of drug users to the border country. Bisbee, being fortunate in its location-nine miles from a Mexican port of entry has been remarkably free from the evil. Douglas, Nogales and El Paso have been the drug-ridden communities of the section and through no fault of their officers.

In cleaning out this element, crime in all of its branches is reduced to a minimum. A drug user will stop at nothing to secure the necessary morphine or cocaine or opium to appease his jaded nerves and ridden constitution. As a consequence they are a menace to the good of the community and any effort to eliminate them from the city is deserving of approbation.

The height of indolence comes to light in Apache county where the people who like pinions, a delicious little nut, wait until the squirrels gather them for a winter supply of food and then rob the little rodents' nests.

The Republican party whose majority in Congress voted for the passage of the Eight-Hour Law, might have former Speaker Cannon answer the criticism of the Presidential candidate of their action. He and sixty-nine other Republicans voted for the measure.

The Democratic Tariff law which has stood the test of foreign war will as truly stand the test

FAILED SAYS LANE

(Continued from Page 1) courage to speak the direct word when spies filled the country and every mail

MILES AT VERDUN

(Continued From Page One) Sea to the Danube River, although at

Teutons Capture 8,700 Rachova, on the river a short dis-

die on the railway between Tcherdathe retreating Russo-Rumanian armies, while to the north of the Dan-





"TUST use mellow tobacco," J says Alec Wise-acres.

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